



September

1st Grade

Mrs. Prince-Warinsky's Class

I'll be keeping you updated on what's going on in Room 10 with a monthly newsletter. I'll be letting you know what we will be studying and about upcoming special events, etc. If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact me by phone or email.

Reading

- We will be reviewing consonant and vowel sounds.
- Read to Self- We are building our reading stamina. We can sustain our reading attention for 15 minutes! Wow!

Math

The first unit is called Numbers All Around Us. The focus of this unit is the development of number sense and number combinations (with emphasis on combinations to 10).

Writing

The focus this month is making sure everyone knows they are a writer. Many children are afraid to put a pencil to the paper to write their own thoughts because they don't know the proper spelling. We will spend time making sure that students feel comfortable and know that it is fine to write down the sounds they hear. As the year progresses, we will also talk about being responsible to 'dictionary spell' some words. Proper formation of uppercase and lowercase letters will be an emphasis, too.

We are launching our Small Moment Unit. Students will be writing about a "small

moment" in their lives across three pages. They will be encouraged to add detail. Be sure to ask your child what he/she is writing about.

Other Themes

- *New Friends
- *Building a Classroom Community
- *Bus Safety



Take Home Folder



Thank you for having your child bring the Communication Folder back to school each day. Please put any notes, lunch money, or any other communication in it. I will send home most information using the folder as well.

Vinton Weekly Newsletter

Vinton School sends home a weekly newsletter via email. Our Johnny Appleseed Day will be in the upcoming newsletter complete with a few photos. If you would like to receive the weekly email, please share your email with the office. We can also provide a paper copy if you do not have access to email.

Websites

Throughout the year, we will be using different programs to enhance our learning. One site is www.raz-kids.com. This site provides excellent practice in reading and the students really find it engaging. Your child can find this on the Vinton Webpage and he/she will need to type princew in the teacher name box. Your child's password is his/her last name.

Birthday Celebrations

Birthdays are very important in first grade! We celebrate by making a birthday book for the birthday child. If you wish to send something to school for the class as well, please send in something that is not edible (pencils, stickers, a book for the class, etc) or a nutritious snack. We are supporting the Board of Education's suggested policy regarding wellness and healthy habits. You may wish to have your child participate in our school library sponsored program for birthday celebrations.

Happy Birthday

Madison

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